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TYPE OF DECLARATION

This declaration is for an original application.

INVENTORSHIP IDENTIFICATION

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TITLE OF INVENTION

Interleaver Filters Employing Non-birefringent Elements

SPECIFICATION IDENTIFICATION

The specification was filed on July 5, 2001, as Serial No. 09/898,469.

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I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information, which is material to patentability as defined in 37, Code of Federal Regulations, Section 1.56, and which is material to the examination of this application, namely, information where there is a substantial likelihood that a reasonable Examiner would consider it important in deciding whether to allow the application to issue as a patent.

CLAIM FOR BENEFIT OF PRIOR U.S. PROVISIONAL APPLICATION(S)
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I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, Section 119(e) of any United States provisional application(s) listed below:

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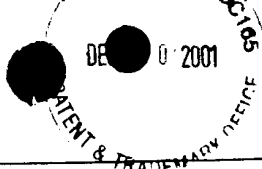
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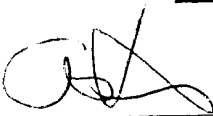
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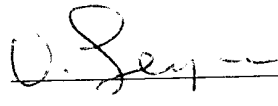
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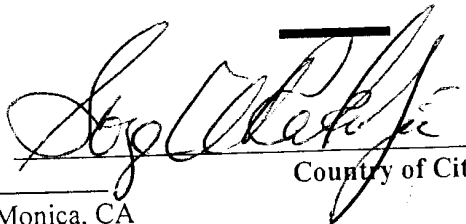
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